



Deborah Ann Gundersen

September 25, 1955 - May 28, 2026

Deborah Ann Gundersen, better known as "Debbie" or "Deb," 70, of Mooresville, North Carolina, and formerly of Suffolk County, New York, joined the love of her life and loved ones in heaven on May 28, 2026.

She was born on September 25, 1955, in Bay Shore, New York, the daughter of Dorothy Massaro and Matthew Chiarello.

Debbie was a woman who devoted and committed her life to taking care of the people who were dear to her. She would have dropped anything in a heartbeat if it meant her family was safe, healthy, and happy. She spent her time relaxing with her pets, enjoyed crime and conspiracy television, and always prioritized time with close family. She was absolutely certain that Bigfoot and aliens were real, and she never let anyone talk her out of it; her family will always smile remembering her late-night theories and the way she could turn any strange noise into proof that "they" were out there. In her last year of life, Debbie found comfort in binge watching Stranger Things and Grey's Anatomy. Every day, she looked forward to her toasted bagel with butter. She loved to cook for the holidays and always impressed everyone with her homemade meatballs, even after her stroke. She was a skilled nail technician during her working years, but most of all, she loved her children so deeply and was the best mother anyone could ask for.

She will always be deeply missed and remembered as a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend.

The hearts of her loved ones will always remain full. She left beautiful memories for everyone to remember her by. Her survivors include her daughter, Michelle Paulette Daughaday and husband, Robert Lee Daughaday; her sons, Edward Marion Brett and wife, Tracy Ann Brett, and Warren Edward Forman and wife, Jenna Marie Forman; her brother, Joseph Matthew Massaro and wife, Susan Marie Massaro; granddaughters, Mollie Rose Forman-Kopp and Emma Rose Forman; her grandson, Edward Douglas Brett; her nephews, Joseph Michael Massaro, Dillon Matthew Massaro, and Reed Giovanni Massaro; her well-loved dogs, Ginger and Penny; along with many other beloved family members and friends.

Her family will always think of her when they see cardinals and butterflies, gentle reminders that she is still close by and visiting from heaven, just like she used to say her own mother did.

A celebration of Deborah's life will be held by family and friends from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM on Monday, June 15, 2026, at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home in Mooresville, North Carolina.

The family would like to express appreciation and gratitude to Debbie's caregiver, Patricia DeLillo, who we could always count on. She went above and beyond when it came to caring for Debbie, and she will always remain a part of our family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations will be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, www.stjude.org which Debbie regularly donated to herself.

"I'll love you forever, I'll like you for always, as long as I'm living, my mommy

you'll be."

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home and Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Gundersen family.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory

494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

JUN 15. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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494 E. Plaza Drive
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Tribute Wall

CB

“ Carol B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Deborah Ann Gundersen.

Carol B. - June 13 at 03:36 PM

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“ Carol B. purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Deborah Ann Gundersen.



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JR

“ Joseph, Dillon & Reed purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Deborah Ann Gundersen.



Joseph, Dillon & Reed - June 12 at 08:36 PM

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Joseph, Dillon & Reed - June 12 at 08:36 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Deborah Ann Gundersen.* ”



June 12 at 11:23 AM